

Sunday, January 10th

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements



Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart

People: in the company of the congregation.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, ever mindful of the covenant.

People: The works of God's hands are faithful and just, established forever and ever.

Leader: Holy and awesome is God's name.

People: God's praise endures forever!

Hymn # 450 – Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou, mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

You have shown us, O God, what it means to follow you. Forgive us when we fail; open our hearts and minds to your teachings. You modeled compassion in the person of Jesus Christ, but we do not extend kindness to strangers or friends. You challenge systems of injustice through the movement of your spirit, but we keep choosing comfort over justice, the status quo over the kingdom of God. You create all things good, and your creation sings your praise, but we consider no creatures but ourselves and wound your earth by our sin. Forgive us, O God. Pour your compassion on us this day, and by your forgiveness, show us how to share it with one another. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: *Let us greet each other with the peace of Christ.*

Special Music

Prayer of Illumination

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Scripture: Mark 1:21-28

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: An Unclean Spirit

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third
day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn # 796 – We Come to You for Healing, Lord

*We come to you for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul, and pray that by your Spirit's touch we may again
be whole.*

*As once you walked through ancient streets and reached toward those in pain, we know you come among us still
with power to heal again.*

*You touch us through physicians' skills, through nurses' gifts of care, and through the love of faithful friends
who lift our lives in prayer.*

*Through nights of pain and wakefulness, through days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of patience,
Lord, your calming peace to know.*

*We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain, in trust that through our nights and days your grace
will heal, sustain.*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory, forever. Amen.**

Charge and Benediction

Congregational Response: Hymn #547 – Go, My Children, with My Blessing, verse 1

*“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own. In my love's
baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”*

Congregational Meeting

Postlude

THE WORD

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E^b (G) A^b (D/F#) E^b/G (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b



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 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (A) B^b




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 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) E^b/G (G) A^b (D) E^b



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

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Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God's healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is not limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions.